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114.3 CMR 9.00 Independent Living Services for the Personal Care Attendant Program

Effective December 1, 2006

Coding Update

The Division is issuing this Informational Bulletin under authority of Regulation 114.3 CMR 9.01(4). As outlined in this subsection, the Division may publish procedure code updates and corrections in the form of an Informational Bulletin. The publication of such updates and corrections will list: (a) codes for which only the code numbers change, with the corresponding cross references between existing and new codes; (b) deleted codes for which there is no corresponding new codes; and (c) codes for entirely new services that require pricing, the Division will list these codes and apply individual consideration (I.C.) reimbursement for these codes until appropriate rates can be developed. Please see MassHealth Transmittal Letter PCA-16, October 26, 2006, for billing guidelines relevant to these coding and descriptor changes.

Listed below are codes cross referenced to new codes for these services:

Existing Code – to be deleted	New Code – to replace existing code	Required Modifier	Revised Service Description	DHCFP Rate
99054	T1019	-TV	Premium Holiday Rate. Services requested on Sundays and holidays in addition to basic services. MassHealth does not pay for this code on Sundays. This code should be used for holidays only. Must be billed in addition to T1019.	\$1.50 per 15 minutes of service

For services that have already received prior authorization, the existing code (99054) may be billed until November 1, 2007. For any new services seeking prior authorization, the new code and modifier, (T1019 TV) will be used beginning December 1, 2006.